## **ATTACHMENT 3**

## EXHIBIT C GUIDELINES FOR AMENDMENTS TO LAND USE ORDINANCE AND PLANNING AREA STANDARDS FRAMEWORK FOR PLANNING - PART I OF THE LAND USE ELEMENT

Standards in the Land Use Ordinance guide new development so as to be in character with its surroundings and to maintain amenities for living. These principles implement the general goal of the Land Use Element that are stated in Chapter 1.

Development of new or amended Land Use Element planning area standards and Land Use Ordinance standards should be guided by the following principles for implementation of the general plan goals:

- 1. All developments should be designed with maximum consideration of the characteristics of project sites and their surroundings:
  - a. To enhance and achieve full use of special site potentials such as natural terrain, views, vegetation, natural waterways or other features;
  - b. To respect and mitigate (or avoid) special site constraints such as climatic conditions, noise, flooding, slope stability, significant vegetation or ecologically sensitive surroundings:
  - c. To be compatible with present and potential adjacent land uses within the context of the area's urban, suburban or rural character.
- 2. Designs for proposed residential uses should include:
  - a. Provisions for privacy and usable open space;
  - b. Orientation and design features to shelter from prevailing winds and adverse weather, while enabling use of natural light, ventilation and shade.
- 3. All developments should be designed to provide safe vehicular and pedestrian movement, adequate parking for residents, guests, employees and emergency vehicles.